

Presentation to the Natural and Economic Resources Subcommittee

Fiscal Research Division



Mission

The N.C. Community Development Initiative ("The Initiative") is a statewide targeted investment strategy that creates an efficient means for government, financial institutions and foundations to invest in economic recovery in distressed communities throughout North Carolina.





How We Operate – Value Proposition

that catalyze
transformational change
that is scalable and
sustainable for
communities

The Initiative

acts as a conduit to and provides resources for

Measurable, positive and enduring results

Highly effective community-based enterprises

who, along with the Initiative, provide



Our Unique Model

INVEST

- Public
- Private
- Philanthropic

Leverage and Layer Resources

MANAGE RISKS

High-Risk Under-Developed Areas

- Early stage, highrisk transactions
- Areas left out and behind

MONITOR RESULTS

- Create jobs
- Economic opportunity
- Affordable housing

Emerging Market



Programs



Making strategic investments through:

- Working capital investment programs designed to build organizational capacity and project completion
- Loan programs designed to facilitate economic development projects

Innovation

Identifying new and sustainable strategies by:

- Testing, documenting and disseminating information about model tools, practices and programs
- Sponsoring demonstration projects and evaluations

Leadership Development Connecting and training leaders by:

- Providing developmental resources, networking opportunities and technical assistance
- Training the next generation of sector leaders



Performance Indicators

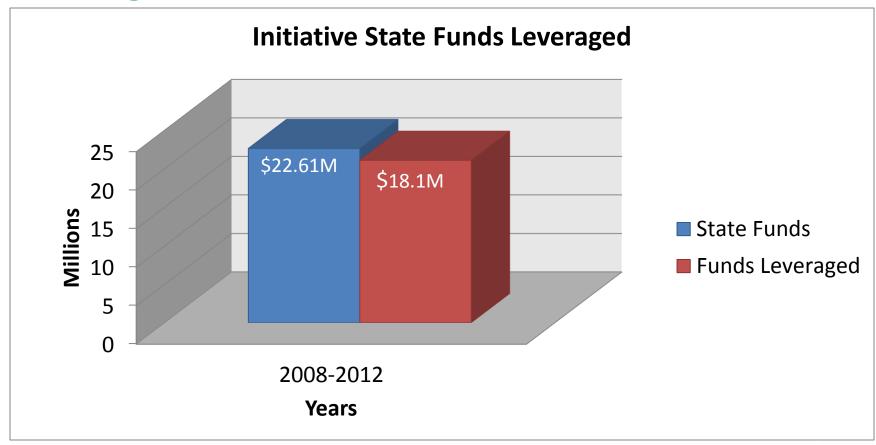
LEVERAGE

- The Initiative (2008-2012)
 - \$20.2 million in investments
 - 218 different investments in CBEs/CDCs and other communitybased organizations
- Affiliated CDFI, Initiative Capital (2008-2012)
 - \$8,500,000 in investments
 - 92 units of affordable housing, five retail developments, six land developments





Leverage



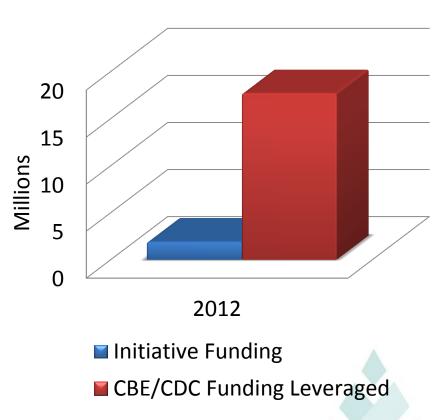
In the last five years, the Initiative has leveraged \$22,615,843 of state funding into an additional \$18,051,843. This is a total investment of **\$40,667,676** into community economic development work across the state of North Carolina.



2012 Impact and Leverage

- Initiative invested a total of \$2.8 million in working capital and other investments
- \$1.9 million was through primary investment program Community Enterprise Fund
- CEF Investee-partners leveraged \$17.7 million
 - Funding leverage for CBEs/CDCs was
 over 9 times

Investee-Partners Leverage



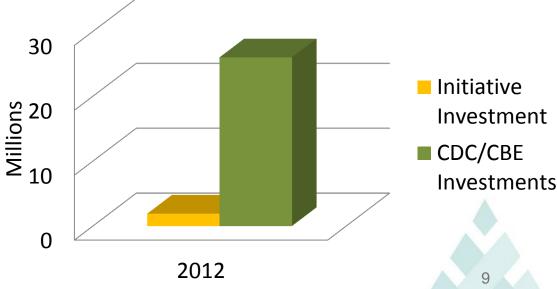


2012 Impact and Leverage - continued

- Investee-partners invested \$26 million in new construction and rehab projects in 2012
 - Initiative investment was leveraged over 13 times toward the work on the ground

CBE/CDC Work on the Ground







2012 Impact and Leverage - continued

- The Initiative's investee-partners facilitated 1,400 jobs through:
 - job training programs
 - small business assistance
 - ownership of social enterprises



- Job numbers do not include employment in CBEs/CDCs themselves, which is more than 200 jobs
- Our funded CBEs/CDCs served 17,000 clients



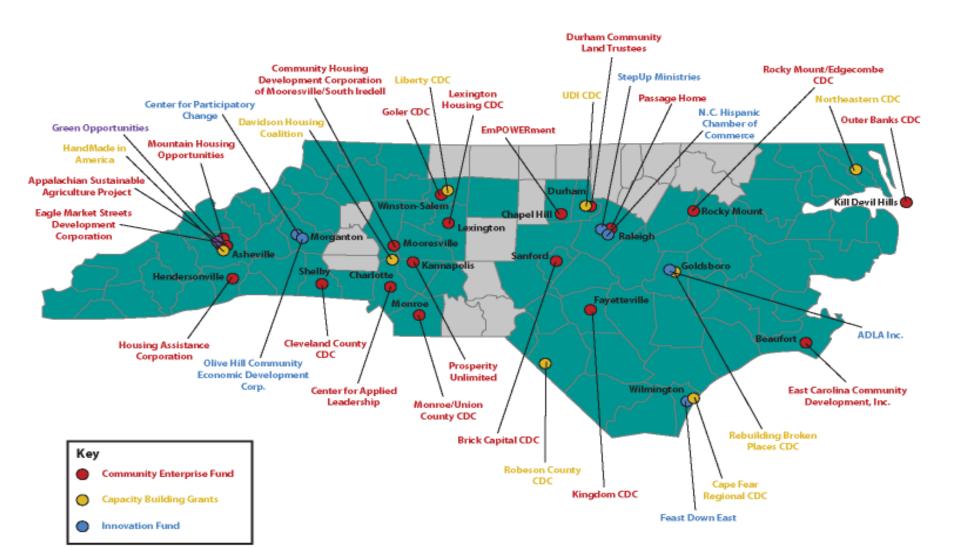
Key Performance Indicators

Measures	2008-2010	2011	2012
Fixed Asset Value of Projects	\$173,830,851	\$98,506,379	\$149,217,030
# of Jobs Created	1875	861	1396
Val. of Single Fam. Homes	\$23,304,293	\$3,961,734	\$4,146,177
Val. Of Multi-Fam. Projects	\$95,102,962	\$19,489,820	\$23,862,869
# of Single Fam. Units*	1,418	53	59
# of Multi-Fam. Units*	580	181	193
Value of Comm. Real Est. Projects	\$6,554,742	\$3,378,166	\$1,125,108
Comm. Real Estate (sq. ft.)	201,648	11,400	114,458
Land Acquired for Future Dev.	126.16	46.00	4.17
Purchase Price of Land Acquired	\$11,153,330	\$2,121,500	2,479,000
Small Businesses Counseled	2,408	1,074	2,525
Youth/Adults Trained	2,479	581	1,531
Counseling Services**(# people)	3,994	3,609	5,608
New Real Estate Taxes Generated	\$945,540	*	*

^{*}Calculated every two years; not yet calculated for 2011, 2012



2013 Investments





Similar Organizations

- High Demand
- There is so much need for community economic development services that partnerships are needed to address it
- No one organization is equipped to meet all of the capital access needs for any given project
- Organizational Leverage and Complement Example
 - Both the Initiative and the Rural Center invest in community development corporations (CDCs)
 - The Initiative focuses its investments on mature, high-performing CBEs/CDCs
 - The Rural Center invests in new and emerging CDCs in rural census tracts



Budgetary Impact

State funding reductions have limited our ability to provide resources to invest more heavily in North Carolina. To mitigate the impact of reductions in funding, the organization implemented reductions to the following expenses:

- Salaries
- Benefits
- Contracted labor
- Travel
- Staff training
- Marketing and meeting expenses
- Hiring freeze for vacant positions
- Investments in partner CBEs/CDCs





Budgetary Impact - continued

- Organization has been able to generate revenue from other funding sources
 - Amounts have decreased
 - Amounts are limited due to increased competition for same dollars
- If the NER subcommittee mandates all non-state entities become self-supporting, the impact would:
 - Threaten the economic growth and development of low-wealth communities across the state of North Carolina.
 - Threaten the existence of the organization



Budgetary Impact - continued

- Core element of North Carolina's economic growth and health
- Our strategic plan includes methods and strategies of becoming more entrepreneurial and ways to create
 scalable projects that will be sustainable and generate ongoing



revenue

 This will take several years and the organization (like many nonprofits) will continue to need subsidies to catalyze public and private investments in high-risk areas



Budgetary Impact - continued

- Implementing a policy of funding specific initiatives with reimbursement tied to achieving specific goals would not work for the organization's business model
- This would provide a hardship to organization
 - Would require the organization to maintain significant cash on hand to pay expenses in advance
 - Program goals are multi-year
 - Cash flow is not sufficient enough to cover costs for the length of time it would take to achieve the goals



Project Example – Spring Lake, NC

- Kingdom CDC is developing a Candlewood Suites hotel (108 rooms) and International House of Pancakes (IHOP) restaurant (180 seats, 56 jobs)
- The Initiative's initial \$500,000 investment brought other investors to the table – total project investment = \$8.5M

Initiative \$500,000 Kingdom CDC \$300,000 Cumberland County \$1,200,000 Carter Bank \$6,500,000

Annual Projected Real Estate Tax:

2013 - \$150,350

2014 - \$153,260

2015 - \$156,170

2016 - \$159,080

